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Our Case No. 9333/226

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Shibuya, et al.

Examiner: Not Assigned

Serial No.: 09/492,578

Group Art Unit No.: 2832

Filing Date: January 28, 2000

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STATUS INQUIRY

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Applicants filed the above-identified application on January 28, 2000 but have not yet received a first Office Action. Please advise the undersigned attorney as to when a first Office Action is expected to issue on this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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